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Saturday, September 21, 2019 9am - 12pm

Summer is almost over, so what better way to close it out than to help clean the beaches that bore the brunt of our summer vacations?

Mark your calendar for the 33rd annual coast wide Fall Beach Cleanup on Saturday, September 21st at 30 sites along the coast. Our fall cleanup coincides with the International Coastal Cleanup, so you'll be joining millions of people in clearing trash from beaches around the world!

Thousands of Texans from across the state will head to the beach to voluntarily pick up trash left behind on our beaches or washed ashore. Our last Adopt-A-Beach coast wide cleanup in April attracted more than 4,300 volunteers who removed more than 20 tons of trash from Texas beaches.

Online volunteer registration is now open at TexasAdoptABeach. org. Volunteers may also register the morning of the event at most check-in sites on September 21st between 8:30 am and 9:00 am. A list of all check-in sites is located on page 8-9 of this newsletter. Be sure to wear closed-toe shoes and sunscreen, bring water and wear a hat. Gloves and trash bags will be provided. A number of check-in sites provide cold drinks, hot food and fun activities for the whole family. Contact the site coordinator for more details.

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ExxonMobil Foundation, Apache Corporation, Murphy Oil Company, Corona Del Mar Beach Properties, Trusted Senior Specialists, Dumpsters.com, Ocean Conservancy



Bon Voyage Buzz!

William "Buzz" Botts is retiring from the National Park Service and is also retiring as a site coordinator for us at the Padre Island National Seashore. While we are excited for Buzz as he pursues his second life adventure, we are also sad to lose one of our most fun and hardworking coordinators. In his own words, he writes... "the great times working with Renee and Adrian and working with all of the volunteers at beach cleanups and seeing the difference the clean-ups make is all of the thank you that I need. My 15 years as being a site coordinator gave me the opportunity to work with so many good people helping to make Texas a better place." Farewell Buzz, it was an honor and a privilege to work with you over the years.

Fall Hotel Sponsor List

Galveston Island

Casa del Mar Beachfront Suites 409-740-2431

Four Points by Sheraton 409-974-4796

Gaido's Seaside Inn 409-761-5504

Moody Gardens Hotel & Spa 888-388-8484

Matagorda

Stanley-Fisher House Bed & Breakfast 979-863-2920

Palacios

The Luther Hotel 361-972-2312

Port Aransas

Beachcomber Vacation Rentals 361-749-7829

The Beachcomber 361-749-6191

Red Roof Inn 361-749-6427

Corpus Christi

Radisson Beach Hotel 956-772-1010

South Padre Island

Gulfview I Condominiums 956-772-1010

Isla Grand Beach Resort 956-547-5892

Seabreeze Beach Resort 956-761-1541



Mark Your Calendar For Our 2020 Cleanups

Friday, February 7
South Padre Island

Saturday, February 8 Coastal Bend area Saturday, April 18 Spring Cleanup Coastwide

Saturday, September 12 Fall Cleanup Coastwide



Grace Wimberley Wins The Grand Prize In 2019 Adopt-A-Beach Art Contest!

Forty students from across Texas were selected as winners in the 23rd Annual Adopt-A-Beach "Treasures of the Texas Coast" Children's Art Contest. This year, more than 3,900 students entered their artwork. The grand prize winner, selected from the 40 overall winners, was Grace Wimberley, a 5th grader at Saint Mary School in Orange, TX.

"Adopt-A-Beach is more than simply volunteering to clean up the Texas coast. The Adopt-A-Beach program teaches young Texans the importance and impact of their actions and how they too can help care for Texas and its environment," said Commissioner Bush. "Through the "Treasures of the Texas Coast' Children's Art Contest, kids from across the state have been able to learn more about our Texas coast while enjoying the chance to showcase their talent. I am always impressed by the outstanding ability of young Texans!"

Grace Wimberley's artwork, along with 39 runners-up, will appear on the cover of the 2020 Adopt-A-Beach calendar, which will be distributed statewide. The artwork of all winners was on public display in the South-Central Gallery of the Texas Capitol May 21st - 28th for all visitors to view and appreciate. The exhibit was sponsored by Texas State Senator Larry Taylor (R – District 11).

Grand prize winner Grace Wimberley received two round-trip coachclass tickets from United Airlines to any United destination in the 48 contiguous United States, Alaska, Canada, Mexico, and Central America, one 7-night Caribbean cruise from Royal Caribbean International departing out of Galveston, Miami, Tampa, Ft. Lauderdale, Port Canaveral or Puerto Rico, and a class party at Schlitterbahn Waterpark in New Braunfels.

Her teacher, Cindy Claybar also received two round-trip coach-class tickets from United Airlines, and one 7-night Caribbean cruise courtesy of Royal Caribbean International.

All 40 winners received a ticket to the USS Lexington in Corpus Christi, a ticket to the Texas State Aquarium, two tickets to the Houston Zoo, two all day passes to Schlitterbahn Waterpark in New Braunfels, prizes and a certificate of recognition from the Texas General Land Office and, once printed, 2020 calendars displaying their winning artwork.



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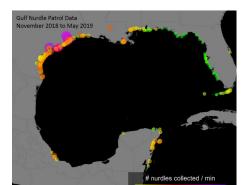


Nurdles washing up on Gulf of Mexico beaches

By Jace Tunnell, Director, Mission-Aransas National Estuarine Research Reserve

For years, state agencies and nonprofits have been educating folks about how trash on the roads eventually makes its way to the ocean through rain and waterways. Not only does trash thrown out of vehicles find its way to the ocean, but so do nurdles. Nurdles are small plastic pellets produced for the raw material of almost all plastic products. They have likely been entering our waterways since the 1940's when plastic started being mass produced. The first scientific reports of nurdles washing up on beaches were published in the 1970's.

Nurdles are made and shipped around the world to factories that melt the pellets down to mold into plastic products such as bottles, grocery bags, cups, sunglasses, etc. Nurdles can be made of polyethylene, polypropylene, polystyrene, polyvinyl chloride, and others; plus a variation in density of all of these. The problem is that due to their small size and buoyancy, nurdles are hard to contain and they are washing up on beaches all over the Gulf of



Mexico, and even the world.

The real threat is to fish and wildlife. These pellets act like sponges and absorb toxins like DDT, a potentially dangerous pesticide banned in many countries, and PCBs, which alongside DDT can be lethal to fish, birds, and

sea turtles in high concentrations. The nurdles also do not provide any nutritional value when ingested and can make the animal feel full, when in reality they are starving.



The Mission-Aransas National Estuarine Research Reserve (the Reserve) at The University of Texas Marine Science Institute is analyzing the presence of nurdles washing up on the bays and beaches of the Gulf of Mexico with a new citizen science project called Nurdle Patrol. Since November 2018, over 200 volunteers from around the Gulf have been conducting 10-minute surveys at their local beaches to help identify concentrations of nurdles. The range of nurdles found stretches from Tampa Bay, Florida to the Caribbean of Mexico, including Cozumel and Tulum. These data are then placed on maps to show concentrations of nurdles. To-date, the dataset of over 1,000 surveys indicates the highest concentrations of nurdles are found in the bay systems of Lavaca and Galveston Bays of Texas, which also happens to be where many nurdle manufacturers, distributors, and fabricators are located in Texas.

How are these plastic pellets getting into the environment? There are multiple points of transfer which increase the likelihood of release into the natural environment. The most likely transfer points include the transfer from a storage hopper to a railcar or



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truck, during transportation, off-loading at the fabrication plant from railcar or truck, washing down of the railcar or truck, and major rail wrecks or ship containers lost at sea. Once the nurdles are on the ground, the rain can wash them to creeks, rivers, bays, and eventually out to sea, before washing ashore on a beach. Across the Gulf of Mexico, there are various shapes, sizes, ages,

and colors of nurdles being collected during surveys, which might suggest that there are both new and old nurdles washing ashore.

In May 2019, the Reserve conducted a Nurdle Expedition where it surveyed 65 beaches along the Gulf of Mexico from Corpus Christi, Texas to Key West, Florida with 126 surveys performed over the 10 day period. Concentrations of nurdles were high (~100 in 10 minutes) in Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and started tapering off in Alabama.

Nurdles were almost non-existent in Florida, except for small amounts in Pensacola, Florida. The Florida Keys had moderate numbers of nurdles (~20 in 10 minutes) and 18 were recorded in the Dry Tortugas. Nurdles were even found along the banks of the Mississippi River under the bridge in Baton Rouge. The maps created from the citizen science data and from the Nurdle Expedition data cover almost every accessible beach in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico

To provide a solution to the problem, over two decades ago the American Chemical Council developed a guidance document, called Operation Clean Sweep (OCS), that details how to handle plastic pellets so they don't get lost to the environment. The OCS is a voluntary program and has best management practices listed for how to prevent this chronic problem. The OCS document provides a strong foundation for federal and state agencies to regulate the prescence of nurdles in the natural environment. Polyethylene (PE) pellet production is predicted to almost double over the next three years with the expansion of existing facilities

or construction of new facilities in the U.S. Seventy-five percent of the facilities that are either expanding or building new, will be located in Texas. The more PE pellets produced, the more are transported, and the more likely the Gulf of Mexico is to see these nurdles continue washing up on our shores.

Want to get involved? Follow Nurdle Patrol on Facebook where people are posting daily all around the Gulf of Mexico of what they are

finding and where. Start taking your own surveys at your local beach and Nurdle Patrol will add the data to the mapping effort. Join us on our website at www.MissionAransas.org for the latest nurdle maps, news, and how you can get more involved in science to help make a difference at your local beach.

Partners for this effort include: The National Park Service, Surfrider Foundation, Friends of Padre, Tampa Bay Estuary Program, Rookery Bay Research Reserve, Texas Master Naturalist, Weeks Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, and the Universidad Veracruza in Veracruz, Mexico.

Stormy Spring Cleanup Hauls in 23 Tons of Trash

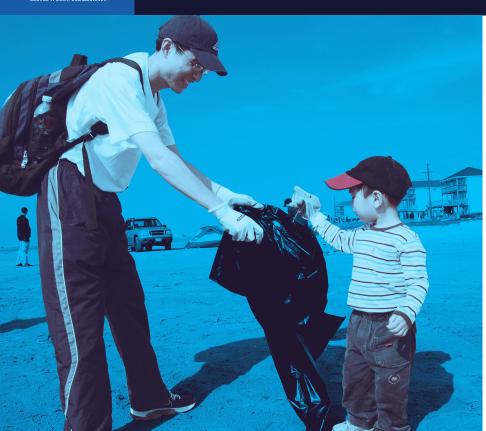
Texans aren't easily deterred when it comes to bad weather. This past April 13th, thousands of people braved the storms and pitched in to help rid our beaches of trash.

"The dedication of our community to do more for the environment and the Texas coast is extraordinary," said Commissioner George P. Bush. "Despite the threat of storms, 4,371 volunteers joined together and removed 47,009 pounds of trash from 143 miles of beaches and bays. Without our volunteers, this effort wouldn't be what it is today. I am thankful to see so many people of all ages come together for something so important to our great state."

Since the cleanups began, more than 533,000 volunteers have removed more than 9,658 tons of trash from Texas beaches. Cigarette butts, beer cans and plastic bags are among the most com-

mon items found. However, with each cleanup, plenty of odd and unusual items are inevitably reported. Strange items found during the cleanup were a car bumper, tire pieces and a sledge hammer on North Beach Corpus Christi, a \$5 bill at Bolivar Peninsula, a mattress at Boggy Nature Park, Port O'Conner, a welcome mat from Boca Chica Beach, and a plastic kid's sword from Austwell Beach.

Special thanks to our 2019 Spring Cleanup Sponsors: Schlumberger, Texas Coastal Management Program, Apache, Exxon-Mobil Foundation, Murphy Exploration, Corona Del Mar Beach Properties, Dumpsters.com, Trusted Senior Specialists, and our in-kind sponsor Ocean Conservancy. We appreciate our sponsors support!



Did You Know?

Many employers offer charitable matching gifts programs for their employees. This means they will either match a charitable donation made by one of their employees, or they will make a donation to a charity where their employees volunteer. Check with your Human Resources department! Your donation to Texas Adopt-A-Beach may be tax deductible – check with you tax advisor.

Texas Adopt-A-Beach Fall Cleanup Saturday, September 21, 2019 9:00 a.m. to noon 1-877-TXCOAST www.texasadoptabeach.org

SUPPORT THE TEXAS COAST!



Show your support for the Texas coast all year long by purchasing the official Texas General Land Office Adopt-A-Beach specialty license plate.

The Adopt-A-Beach program receives a direct benefit for every plate sold that will help the program continue to grow, reduce litter on Texas beaches and provide coastal environmental education to our youth.

The plate costs \$30 in addition to regular vehicle fees, with \$22 used to support the Texas coastline. Personalized plates are also available for an extra \$40. In addition, the cost of purchasing the plate is considered a tax-deductible donation from you. Visit txdmv.gov or your local county tax office to order your plate today!

You can also make a direct tax-deductible donation online at texasadoptabeach.org, with sponsorship levels ranging from \$25 to \$25,000 for individuals or corporations.

For more information texasadoptabeach.org or 1.877.txcoast



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JEFFERSON COUNTY

Sea Rim State Park to Sea Rim Estates Road – Port Arthur Police Association
McFaddin Beach – Bug Defender Pest Management

GALVESTON COUNTY

Mooner Beach, San Leon - San Leon GenZen Project

BOLIVAR PENINSULA

Mabry Street to the east one mile – The Heathen Sisterhood
Waco Road to Mabry Street – Tropic Like It's Hot
Crystal Beach at Castle Drive – Udo, Moondoggie & Moonpuppy
Ramada Beach - The Welty Family

Tidelands Subdivision area – The Shark Research Institute

West View Road to Beaumont Street - Allan & Tracy Stubblefield

West View Road to Driftwood Drive - Back 2 the Beach

Gulf-Holiday Street to the east one mile - The Raymond Clement Family

Monkhouse Drive to Westview Road - Jeeps at the Beach TX,

Wildhorse Promotional Products

Monkhouse Road to Mr. G Street – East Houston Jeepers Sandollar Road to the west one mile - RE/MAX On The Water Sandollar Road to the east one mile - Sandollar RV Park East Street to Alma Street – The Cole and Flanagan Families

Alma Street to Gulf Coast Drive - Spay and Neuter Beach Outreach

Boyt Drive to the west - The Edson Family

Boyt Drive area - Remembering Wyatt Dale Water Safety

Bolivar Flats - Marshall's Happily Ever After

Fort Travis Seashore Park to North Jetty - Sierra Club, Houston Regional Group Bolivar Ferry Landing area – Surfrider Foundation – Galveston Chapter

GALVESTON ISLAND

Pelican Island Harborside – The Big Event - TAMU Galveston Apffel Park/East Beach - LyondellBasell

Apffel Park to Stewart Beach - Christine and David Gruener

Porretto Beach, bollards to the water - The Tran Family

7th - 14th Streets on Seawall - East Early College High School

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One mile to the west of 18th Street - Milton's Bells

Beachfront at Hotel Galvez - The Girl Scouts of Tall Pines Hill

27th Street area on Seawall - TWinkle

29th Street area - SUP Gulf Coast

35th to 45th Streets on Seawall - Wyndham Hotel Group

39th to 45th Streets - Ball High School Army JROTC

45th to 61st Streets - Oppe Elementary Campus of Coastal Studies

53rd Street & Seawall area - San Luis Resort

61st Street Pier to the west one mile - Southern Spears Surf Shop; Matt Maurins & Family; Dohman Specialties

Dellanera RV Park - Hanger Clinic

Frank Carmona Pocket Park #2 - Brookside Intermediate School

7-Mile Road to just east of Woody's Bar - Hoofprints & Memories

Sunny Beach (8 Mile Road) – FUGRO, The Hopkins Family
End of Sportsman Road, off 8 Mile Road - College of the Mainland Biology Club
Airport Beach, near pier and Airway Lane - BaySmart Education Team at SSBG

Spanish Grant Subdivision - In memory of Trigger Miller-Higgins

Bermuda Beach - Moody Gardens

11 Mile Road to Campeche Court - Texas Gas Service, Ivan & Nadja Goff

13 Mile Road area - University of Miami Houston Canes Community

 $\textbf{Galveston Island State Park (Western Half)} \cdot \textbf{Murphy Oil Corporation}$

Jamaica Beach - I Neglect, Inc.

16 Mile Road area – The Cartagena Family, National Ocean Policy Coalition, Banff School National Honor Society

San Jacinto Drive area - Jfin Upcycle

Terramar Beach area - Girl Scout Troop #111115

San Luis Pass, Gulf side - American Guard Services

HARRIS COUNTY

Seabreeze Park, La Porte - La Porte High School Interact Club

BRAZORIA COUNTY

SURFSIDE BEACH

Mile 0 - Alpha Phi Omega Metropolitan Houston

Mile 1 - Leave Your Prints Behind

Mile 2 - Leave Your Prints Behind

Mile 3 - Ocean Sierra, LLC

Mile 4 - Devin n Deb

Mile 5 - Schlumberger

Mile 6 - Schlumberger

Mile 7 - Schlumberger

Mile 8 - Dow Chemical Company

Mile 9 - SeaSide Mer-maids, Will A. & Friends

Mile 10 - Bill Mullenweg Memorial Beach Cleanup

Mile 11 - Employees of Brazoria County Precinct 1

Mile 12 - BASF Corporation

Mile 14 - Surfrider Foundation - Upper Coast Chapter

Jetty Park – Keep Surfside Beach Beautiful

QUINTANA

Fishing Pier at Quintana Beach – Cub Scout Pack 525, Dymes Dhevilz Social Club Mile Marker 17 at Quintana Beach – Arechigas



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MATAGORDA COUNTY

Palacios Bay - Texas Girls

Sargent Beach at Highway 457, Bay City - Phillips 66 Company

Matagorda Beach, Jetty Park to the east one mile - Texas ChalleNGe Academy

CALHOUN COUNTY

Sunday Beach, Matagorda Island - Ken & Cindy Haenel

Port Alto Beach - The Hubenak Family

Ocean Drive to La Salle Monument, Magnolia Beach – The Garza-Mischer

Magnolia Beach - Sand Crab Nature Savers

Boggy Nature Park, Port O'Connor - Victoria Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Lighthouse Beach - Friends of Lighthouse Beach

ARANSAS COUNTY

Goose Island State Park – Beach Bums at Heart Lamar Beach Road – Mid-Coast Texas Naturalists

SAN PATRICIO COUNTY

Sunset Lake Park, Portland - City of Portland Indian Point Park - voestalpine Texas

NUECES COUNTY

CORPUS CHRISTI

North Beach at bay side birding platform - Tuloso-Midway Navy JROTC

North Beach - Heritage Youth & Family Services of Texas

North Beach from Burleson Park to Dolphin Park – North Beach Responsible Business

Beachfront at Texas A&M University - Texas A&M University AFS Student Subunit

PORT ARANSAS

San Jose Island - Keep Port Aransas Beautiful

Horace Caldwell Pier to South Jetties - Surfrider Foundation, Central Texas Chapter

I.B. Magee Beach - Rollin' Tide Boil Company

Avenue G area - Sirena Tribe

Mile Markers 18-20 - Kathy & Stan Novey

Access Road 1-A to Sandcastle Drive - CCCPHS Hurricanes NHS

Access Road 1 area – Darkside Jeepers

Royal Sands Subdivision - Mermaid's Lair

NORTH PADRE ISLAND

Access Road 2 area - Beach Bums at Heart

Mile Markers 89-99 - Texas General Land Office Employees

Fish Pass Jetties to the North One Mile - The Expedition School, The Pass People Mustang Island State Park (MISP) - Andrew Clyburn Family, Total Coastal

Apparel, Randy & Dawn Bissell

Mile Marker 196 to Access Road 3, MISP - CoffeeSock

J.P. Luby Park - Lazy Beach Brewing

Packery Flats - Coastal Bend Bays Foundation

Packery Channel Park - Texas State Aquarium

South Packery Channel from Condos to Jetties - Beach Bums for Life

Whitecap Beach to Packery Channel - Marlen Velazquez Beach Conservationist

Access Road 5 to Bob Hall Pier - BSA Venture Crew 5857, Spark Solar

Mile Markers 242-252 - Benjamin's Surf & Skate

Mile Markers 232-242 - SISTEM

Mile Markers 302-322 - Whitecap Surveying Company

 $\textbf{Padre Island National Seashore} - \mathsf{Carmen Gonzales}, \mathsf{ABC Home} \And \mathsf{Commercial}$

Services, Corpus Christi Moms Blog

CAMERON COUNTY

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND

Jetties to the North One Mile, Isla Blanca Park - Friends of Isla Blanca Jetties to Dolphin Cove, Isla Blanca Park - Surfrider Foundation South Texas Chapter

City Beach Access #3 - City of South Padre Island Environmental Health Services & Keep South Padre Island Beautiful

County Access Road 3 to Andy Bowie Park - UTRGV Coastal Studies Lab - NOAA Marine Debris Program

Access 6 to the south one mile – High Standards Repair & Remodeling, Beach Burns at Heart

Access 6 - Grandma's Beach

Access 6, two miles past - Ocean Kissed Rentals

THANK YOU to all of our State Employee Charitable Campaign (SECC) donors!

FALL CLEANUP CHECK-IN SITES

Sea Rim State Park - Jefferson County

Check-in: Park entrance, 10 miles west of Sabine Pass on Highway 87 South

Contact: Glenda Rutherford 409-971-2559 ext. 222

glenda.rutherford@texasadoptabeach.org

Morgan's Point - Harris County

Check-in: Parking area at end of Ballester Street at Ballester Fishing Area

Contact: Emily Ford 281-332-3381, Ext. 207

emily.ford@texasadoptabeach.org

The Nature Conservancy's Texas City Prairie Preserve – Galveston County

Check-in: 4702 Hwy 146 N

Contact: Tim O'Connell 409-941-9114 or 409-392-3550 (cell)

tim.oconnell@texasadoptabeach.org

Contact: Adriane Arnold 713-829-7093
adriane.arnold@texasadoptabeach.org

*Advanced Reservations Required

Bolivar Peninsula - Galveston County

Check-in: Crystal Beach Volunteer Fire Department, 930 Noble Carl Drive,

approximately 11 miles from the ferry landing Contact: Brenda Flanagan 409-291-9092 brenda.flanagan@texasadoptabeach.org

The John M. O'Quinn I-45 Scenic Estuarial Corridor & Virginia Point Peninsula Preserve - Galveston County

Check-in: Exit 6 off I-45 at Reitan Point Contact: Lalise Mason 713-725-8101

lalise.mason@texasadoptabeach.org

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Galveston Island—Galveston County

Check-in: Menard Park, 27th Street & Seawall Boulevard

Contact: Sheryl Rozier

sheryl.rozier@texas adopt abeach.org

Surfside—Brazoria County

Check-in: Stahlman Park, approximately 2 miles east from the intersection of

Hwy 332 and C.R. 257 (Bluewater Hwy.) Contact: Mike Mullenweg 979-864-1152 mike.mullenweg@texasadoptabeach.org

Quintana—Brazoria County

Check-in: Quintana Beach County Park, 330 5th Street

Contact: Patty Brinkmeyer 979-233-1461 patty.brinkmeyer@texasadoptabeach.org

Sargent Beach/County Park—Matagorda County

Check-in: End FM 457 at the park
Contact: David Dupont 832-647-9800
david.dupont@texasadoptabeach.org
Contact: Mike Sandridge 281-908-4024
mike.sandridge@texasadoptabeach.org

Contact: Ray Fessenden 979-482-7007 ray.fessenden@texasadoptabeach.org

Matagorda Beach—Matagorda County

Check-in: Matagorda Jetty Park
Contact: Peggy Stanley 979-216-6016
peggy.stanley@texasadoptabeach.org

Palacios-Matagorda County

Check-in: Marine Education Center, 102 Marine Center Drive

Contact: Diane Smith 915-503-3909 diane.smith@texasadoptabeach.org Contact: Darlene Faldyn 361-765-0592 darlene.faldyn@texasadoptabeach.org

Magnolia Beach/Indianola - Calhoun County

Check-in: Crabbin' Bridge

Contact: Angie Finegan 512-937-6684 angie.finegan@texasadoptabeach.org

Boggy Nature Park, Port O'Connor - Calhoun County

Check-in: At the birding observation deck Contact: Alexa Cordova 361-573-2428 alexa.cordova@texasadoptabeach.org

King Fisher Beach, Port O'Connor—Calhoun County

Check-in: Pavilion at King Fisher Beach Contact: Roxanne Ochoa 361-746-4965 roxanne.ochoa@texasadoptabeach.org

Austwell-Refugio County

Check-in: Austwell (Where the pier used to be)

Contact: Dwight Mutschler 361-286-3762 or 361-550-5485 (cell)

austwellredfish@texasadoptabeach.org

Aransas Pass/Redfish Bay—Nueces County

Check-in: Lighthouse Lakes Park, 4 miles east of Aransas Pass on Highway 361

Contact: Richard Gonzales 361-779-7351 richard.gonzales@texasadoptabeach.org

Portland-San Patricio County

Check-in: Sunset Lake Park, 201 Sunset Drive, adjacent to Highway 181

Contact: Kristin Connor 361-777-4670 kristin.connor@texasadoptabeach.org

St. Jo Island/Port Aransas - Nueces County

Check-in: 8:00 a.m. - Fisherman's Wharf, 900 Tarpon Street

Contact: Shannon Solimine 512-574-9191 shannon.solimine@texasadoptabeach.org Contact: Angie Huckabay 361-500-7642 angie.huckabay@texasadoptabeach.org

*Sold Out

Port Aransas—Nueces County

Check-in: Avenue G at the beach

Contact: Contact: Shannon Solimine 512-574-9191

shannon.solimine@texasadoptabeach.org
Contact: Angie Huckabay 361-500-7642
angie.huckabay@texasadoptabeach.org

FALL CLEANUP CHECK-IN SITES

Mustang Island State Park, Corpus Christi—Nueces County

Check-in: Park Headquarters Parking Lot, 17047 State Highway 361

Contact: Eric Ehrlich 361-749-5246 eric.ehrlich@texasadoptabeach.org

Packery Flats-Nueces County

Check-in: Parking lot off Hwy 361, on Mustang Island near Packery Channel

Contact: Jace Tunnell 361-244-8665 jace.tunnell@texasadoptabeach.org

North Beach, Corpus Christi —Nueces County

Check-in: Texas State Aquarium 2710 North Shoreline Boulevard Contact: Melanie Kudra 361-881-1319 melanie.kudra@texasadoptabeach.org

Cole Park (Kid's Place), Corpus Christi—Nueces County

Check-in: 1526 Ocean Drive

Contact: Celina Ybarbo-Pulcher 361-826-1655 celina.pulcher@texasadoptabeach.org Contact: Katie Galan 361-290-2461 katie.galan@texasadoptabeach.org

North Padre Island, Corpus Christi—Nueces County

Check-in: Padre Balli Park Office, 15820 Park Road 22

Contact: John Vaughn 361-779-0477 john.vaughn@texasadoptabeach.org

Contact: Jim Needham

james.needham@texasadoptabeach.org

Padre Island National Seashore—Kleberg County

Check-in: Malaquite Visitor Center, 20420 Park Road 22
Contact: Chuck Lassiter 361-949-8068 or 949-8069

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Baffin Bay, Loyola Beach, Riviera—Kleberg County

Check-in: Kaufer-Hubert Park, FM 628 Contact: Letty Couch 361-522-9861 letty.couch@texasadoptabeach.org

Laguna Point Park, Port Mansfield - Willacy County

Check-in: 1238 South Port Drive Contact: Robin Flores 361-790-6792 robin.flores@texasadoptabeach.org

South Padre Island Cameron County Parks—Cameron County

Check-in: Andy Bowie Park, Access Road #2, Highway 100

Contact: Blanca Macias 956-761-5494 blanca.macias@texasadoptabeach.org Contact: Danielle Delgado 956-761-3700 danielle.delgado@co.cameron.tx.us

South Padre Island City Beaches-Cameron County

Check-in: South Padre Island City Beach Access #3, Gulf Blvd. between Palm

Street and Corral Street

Contact: Angie Cantu 956-761-8123 Contact: Victor Baldovinos 956-761-8123 victor.baldovinos@texasadoptabeach.org

Boca Chica—Cameron County

Check-in: End of Highway 4 at the beach Contact: Fernando Ramirez 956-459-9611 fernando.ramirez@texasadoptabeach.org